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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 10, 2005, for which response is being filed by the due date of April 10, 2005, please consider the remarks set forth below.

Attached is a copy of the Amendment filed and entered into the PAIRS system on January 7, 2005 ("Previous Amendment") in response to the previous Office Action mailed October 19, 2004, which was indicated as a final action ("Previous Action").

The undersigned objected to the finality of the Previous Action. Verbal withdrawal of the finality was received. However, since verification of the withdrawal of


the finality was not received, the undersigned submitted the Previous Amendment before the Previous Action's three-month response date.

Subsequently, Examiner issued this completely new action, which is a non-final action, setting forth the same grounds of rejection as in the Previous Action.

In an abundance of caution, the undersigned is resubmitting as attached hereto its Previous Amendment to ensure that such is not overlooked and that nothing further is required of Applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 19, 2004, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 1 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.